

A GANG of youths who stoned a coach full of Bedford Town supporters after Wycombe Wanderers' 2-1 F.A. Cup win at Loakes Park on Monday night have been condemned by the Blues' chairman, Mr. Reg Williams.

Mr. Williams promised that any offenders who were convicted would be banned by the club.

The incident happened in Suf-
field Road, near the ground,
when the coach was moving
through heavy traffic.
About 20 teenagers ran
alongside and hurled stones
through the windows.

One passenger was injured as
three panoramic windows
were smashed and passengers
showered with broken glass, some of them
narrowly escaping injury.

Mr. Michael Spavins, of The
Boundary, Putnoe, Bed-
fordshire, was hit on the
head by a stone and was
treated at Wycombe
Hospital for cuts over an
eye and on his neck.

'Appalled'

About £500 worth of damage
was done to the coach which
had to be replaced by
another one from Bedford.

Mr. Williams said he knew
nothing of the incident until
the following day.

"I would be appalled if I
thought that the hooligans
who caused this disturbance
were associated with
Wycombe Wanderers Foot-
ball Club. We disassociate
ourselves with anything of
this nature and if the
offenders are caught I will
make sure they are banned
from the club," he said.

"This sort of trouble must be
stamped out and the club
will do anything in its power
to bring these people to
order."

During the match — an F.A.
Cup first round second
replay — there were minor
scuffles behind one goal but
the four policemen on duty
inside the ground soon dealt
with the trouble.

The police are searching for
the youths and have appealed
for information from
anyone who saw the stone-
throwing incident.